

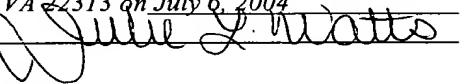


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s)	Dinh, et al.	Examiner:	Amy Jo Sterling
Serial No.:	09/899,862	Group Art Unit:	3632
Confirmation No.:	3336	Docket:	577-516 (T&B 1632)
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD
OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed February 4, 2004, finally rejecting Claims 1, 3-7, 9, 10-16 and 21.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

This application is on behalf of

- other than a small entity.
 small entity.

A verified statement claiming small entity status

- is attached.
 was already filed on _____.

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2. FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(e), the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

<input type="checkbox"/> small entity	\$165.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other than small entity	\$330.00

Notice of Appeal fee due	<u>\$330.00</u>
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3. EXTENSION OF TERM

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

(complete (A) or (B), as applicable)

(A) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)):

	Extension <u>(months)</u>	Fee for Other than <u>Small Entity</u>	Fee for <u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$ 420.00	\$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$ 950.00	\$475.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00

Fee due for indicated extension **\$ 420.00**

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

An extension for _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of
\$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$_____

(B) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

4. TOTAL FEE DUE

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal fee	\$ <u>330.00</u>
Extension fee (if any)	\$ <u>420.00</u>

TOTAL FEE DUE **\$ 750.00**

.5. FEE PAYMENT

[] Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

[X] Charge Account No. 20-0776 the sum of \$ \$750.00

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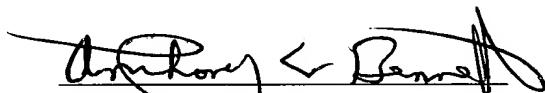
6. FEE DEFICIENCY

[X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required or any overpayment has been made, please charge our Deposit Account No. **20-0776** or credit our Deposit Account for such sum.

AND/OR

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